



## News Release

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### **South Fork Mill Creek Prescribed Burn on Tap for Wednesday**

**(LARAMIE, Wyo.) October 18, 2011** – On Wednesday, Oct. 19, the Forest Service will light a prescribed burn on the South Fork of Mill Creek. The burn unit is approximately 115 acres and is located five miles northeast of Centennial, Wyo., along the eastern boundary of the Forest off the closed 397.A road.

Conditions are anticipated to be favorable for the burn on Wednesday, including fuel moisture, weather, smoke dispersal and staffing. Crews from the Laramie Ranger District will lead the event, assisted by the Brush Creek/Hayden Ranger District. The prescribed burn will improve rangeland conditions for big-game winter habitat.

Smoke will be visible and should be expected. It may be seen from Highway 130, I-80 and nearby communities of Centennial and Laramie, Wyo.

Hunters in elk area 10 should be aware of the planned burn and should make their hunting plans accordingly. Signs have been placed on adjacent roads notifying the public of the prescribed fire. Ultimately the burn will benefit deer and elk herds in the area.

Conditions will be monitored by Forest Service fire crews leading up to and during the burn to ensure operations can be safely and successfully implemented. Crews will continue to monitor the burn area until all fires are completely out.

The South Fork Mill Creek burn is partially funded by the Wyoming Wildlife and Natural Resource Trust.

For additional information on the prescribed burn, please contact the Laramie Ranger District office at 307-745-2300 or visit <http://fs.usda.gov/mbr>.

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